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RCC Receives \$294,859 in Performance Incentive Funds



At a press conference at RCC on Monday, September 23rd, Higher Education Commissioner, Dr. Richard Freeland announced the Performance Incentive Funds awardees. RCC is the recipient of \$294,859 of this

\$7.5million fund. Additional speakers at the press conference, Dr. Valerie Roberson; Dr. Keith Motley, UMass Boston Chancellor; Dr. Diane Ross Gary, Madison Park Head of School, and Dr. Matt Malone, Secretary of Education, extolled the importance and the impact that such an initiative will have on the community.

The grant will support a pathway from Madison Park to RCC to UMass Boston. Eighteen RoxMAPP (Massachusetts Academic Poly Tech Pathway) Madison Park students in the Nursing Assisting Program will begin their journey on Monday, September 30th, when they begin their Autumn Access College Experience course, taught by Professor Angela MacDonald. Students will receive coaching, advising, and tutoring support at RCC and at UMass Boston. The program will be expanded in the coming months to include disciplines other than Nursing. Plans are underway to enroll students from a variety of Madison Park vocational

Golf Tournament

On Friday, September 20th, RCC held its annual golf tournament. This fundraising event helps fulfill the RCC Foundation's goal of providing a variety of opportunities for students. Proceeds also help support the Reggie Lewis Center's youth and senior fitness & wellness programs, and the building fund. See photos on page 4



Homecoming

On Saturday, September 21st, RCC was aglow with black and orange for the first annual Homecoming event. Attendees enjoyed music, dancing, food, vendors and kids activities. See photos on page 5.

Mark Your Calendar

- October 1:** Scholarly Speaker Series
- October 3:** Cheeky Scientist
- October 8:** PTK Spirit Day
- October 7:** The State of Community Colleges in an Urban Setting
- October 10:** PTK Open House
- October 11:** 40th Gala
- October 22:** Community Career Fair

Cheeky Scientist at RCC

"HOW TO BE A SCIENTIST, NOT A TACTICIAN"

Dr. Isaih Hankel, PhD., Founder and CEO Cheeky Scientist

WHEN: Thursday, Oct. 3, 1:30pm-3:00pm

WHERE: 3-121

The seminar is built around cutting edge science in the fields of psychology, physiology and motivational theory, as well as Dr. Hankel's first hand experiences in academia, medicine, business and entrepreneurship. He will show students the only three professional skills that will matter in the next five years.

Dr. Isaih Hankel, a scientist, author, entrepreneur, and coach likes to have fun, make money, and make a difference. "They keep telling me to focus and take life

seriously but all I want to do is experiment and be cheeky"

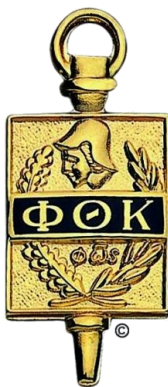
"My seminars are about building the career of your dreams, increasing their emotional intelligence, releasing the full you, getting in shape fast, and dealing with haters." Dr. Isaih Hankel



He graduated with a Ph.D. in Anatomy and Cell Biology in 2011 and now works as a Cell Biology Specialist and Business Coach. In 2012, Dr. Hankel founded Cheeky Scientist, a networking platform for entrepreneurs and people with advanced degrees. Over the past two years, he has launched three online products, consulted for 12 different companies, and given over 250 seminars in 20 different countries.

He looks forward to helping students to have fun, make money, live like a lion and change the world.

Phi Theta Kappa Update



Congratulations to Phi Theta Kappa's newly elected officers!

President:

Rashida Jenkins

Vice President:

Mark Payne

Vice President of Scholarships:

Chisom Udengwu

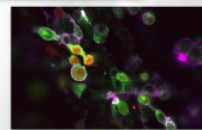
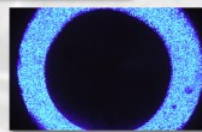
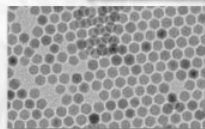
Treasurer:

Carleen Njoku

For questions, please contact the advisors of Phi Theta Kappa:

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- Professor Yvonne Anthony – yanthony@rcc.mass.edu

HONORS PROGRAM/PHI THETA KAPPA SEMINAR **NEUROPROSTHETICS:** Electronic, Optical and Magnetic Approaches



OCTOBER 1ST, 2013

1:30 P.M.

FACULTY LOUNGE

Academic Building (3), Room 424



Polina Anikeeva

Assistant Professor of Materials Science
MIT

Polina Anikeeva received her BS in Physics from St. Petersburg State Polytechnic University in 2003. After graduation she spent a year at Los Alamos National Lab where she worked on developing novel types of photovoltaic cells based on semiconductor quantum dots. She then enrolled in a PhD program in Materials Science at MIT and graduated in January 2009 with her thesis titled "Physical Properties and Design of Light Emitting Devices and Nanoparticles". She completed her postdoctoral training at Stanford University. Polina joined the faculty of the MIT Department of Materials Science and Engineering in July 2011 as AMAX career development assistant professor. Her lab at MIT focuses on the development of flexible and minimally invasive materials and devices for neural recording, stimulation and repair. She is also a recipient of Sanofi Biomedical Innovation Award, NSF CAREER Award, DARPA YFA and the Dresselhaus Fund Award.



Professional Development

Coming Up Next Week...

Beyond PowerPoint Essentials

This workshop applies PowerPoint topics such as adding diagrams, tables, and animations. It also offers time-saving strategies for creating and presenting with PowerPoint. Participants will practice advanced features as well as explore ways to apply existing content and templates from other presentations.

WHEN: Wednesday, 10/2, 3–4pm

WHERE: 3-207Q

Training/Drop-in Sessions

These sessions are for anyone who wants to drop in to learn more about using the technology in our learner-centered classrooms. If you want to know the basics, learn some more advanced features, or just practice using the technology, come on by!

WHEN: Wednesday, 10/9, 8-10am and 12-2pm

WHERE: 3-207Q

Weekly Moodle Drop-in Sessions

These informal drop-in sessions are open to any and all faculty at any level of Moodle experience.

WHEN: Every Monday and Thursday 12-2pm

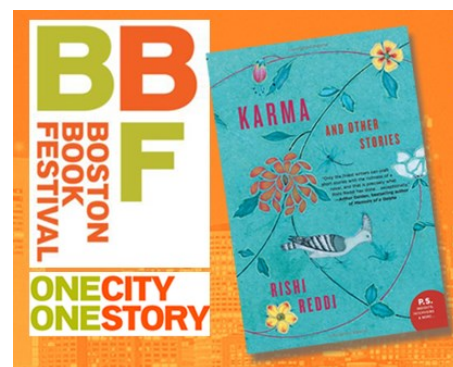
WHERE: 3-207Q

Outlook 2010 and 2013

IT staff will share some neat tricks and shortcuts

WHEN: Tuesday, October 1st, 1:30 – 2:30pm

WHERE: 3- 207Q



One City One Story

The 2013 story has been chosen! The pick for One City One Story this year is “Karma” by Rishi Reddi. It was originally published in *Karma and Other Stories* and was the winner of the 2008 PEN New England / L.L. Winship prize for fiction.

Distribution started the week of September 2nd in locations in and around Boston! Read more at www.bostonbookfest.org

To download and read the short story online, visit <https://www.hightail.com/>



Jumpstart, an early childhood education nonprofit organization that recruits and trains college students to deliver a literacy-rich curriculum to low-income preschoolers, has partnered with RCC for the second year in a row! The 2013-2014 program year has begun and fall recruitment is in full swing! Already, three extraordinary

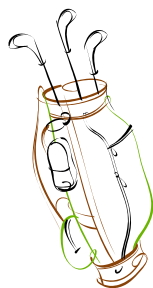
team leaders, as well as three Corps members, have been hired. Team leaders will attend Jumpstart’s annual September Leadership Institute. This year, Jumpstart is piloting a community college specific leadership institute to be held here on RCC’s campus on September 27th and 28th. Team leaders from Middlesex Community College, Northern Essex Community College, Bunker Hill Community College and Roxbury Community College will join to learn more about their leadership roles during the 2013-2014 program year!

All faculty and staff are encouraged to aid recruitment by sharing information about Jumpstart with any students who may be interested in participating.

For more details, please contact Jumpstart Site Manager, Ashley Bushell, at abushell@rcc.mass.edu or 617.427.0060 ext. 5830.



Golf Tournament 2013



Homecoming 2013



Items for "The Weekly"

If you have something of interest that you would like to share with the college community, please submit it to Jacqueline Lynch at jlynch1@rcc.mass.edu